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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS: Intelligence production is generally accomplished by the most appropriate producer, and almost all production is at least accomplished by an appropriate producer³. Although only a very small percentage of production is done by agencies whose "appropriateness" is questionable 4 (30 out of 832 documents), there is a considerable duplication in the "most appropriate" and "appropriate" categories because the criteria for these categories were made intentionally broad to accommodate the wide range of interests of the producing agencies, particularly the CIA. For example, production on the Soviet Union revealed extensive overlap. Some questionable appropriateness of production occurs when the agency of primary concern does not produce. DIA's production on military subjects in the Middle East was very limited (four) while CIA did a number of pieces on those subjects (30). The category of "questionable appropriateness" would have been reduced to near zero had the producing agencies produced within areas of their primary interest and competence while avoiding production in areas of lesser competence. There is, however, no systematic way for production managers to know what production is proposed or in work by other agencies.

⁴Criteria:

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¹Based on CIA CRS AEGIS file holdings on the Soviet Union, Latin America, Southeast Asia and the Middle East

²Criteria:

a. Production on a subject under DCID authority.

b. Production on a subject clearly within the responsibility of the producing agency and production for which the producer has the greatest competence within the intelligence community.

Criteria:

a. Production does not violate DCID authority.

b. The producing agency has some responsibility for such production and a considerable degree of competence on the subject.

a. Production violates DCID authority. (No product in this sample review violated DCID authority.)

b. The producing agency has little direct responsibility for such production and limited competence in the subject area.

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